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TAGS: MARR, PFOR, NZ

SUBJECT: SOUTH PACIFIC NUCLEAR FREE ZONE (SPNFZ)

CINCPAC FOR POLAD

REF: STATE 097105

1. SPNFZ WAS DISCUSSED MAY 12 DURING COURTESY CALLS BY POLCOUNS ON DEFENSE ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR POLICY HARPER AND MFA UN DIVISION HEAD HOLBOROW. HOLBOROW SAID GNZ WAS CONTINUING ITS CONSULTATIONS ON ISSUE AND WOULD BE DEVELOPING ITS IDEAS FURTHER IN THE NEXT WEEK OR TWO. UN DIVISION IS ACTION OFFICE FOR SPNFZ PROPOSAL.

2. HOLBOROW NOTED PRELIMINARY GNZ POSITION ON SPNFZ WAS PROVIDED US PRIOR TO ANZUS COUNCIL MEETING AND HE ASSUMED THAT SPECIFIC USG OBJECTIONS, IF ANY, WOULD HAVE BEEN PUT FORTH DURING COUNCIL MEETING OR PM ROWLING'S VISIT. TO DATE ONLY WORD HOLBOROW HAS RECEIVED IS THAT USG REQUESTED GNZ NOT TO GO PUBLIC BEFORE CONSULTING WITH US.

3. COMMENT - HOLBOROW'S COMMENTS LEFT DEFINITE IMPLICATION
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THAT NOW IS THE TIME FOR USG TO MAKE ANY SPECIFIC OBJECTIONS

TO SPNFZ IT MAY HAVE. WE ARE PARTICULARLY CONCERNED THAT
AS GNZ CONTINUES ITS CONSULTATIONS IN THE PACIFIC SOME
COMMITMENT MAY BE MADE TO BANNING OF WARSHIP VISITS UNLESS
USG DENIES NUCLEAR WEAPONS ARE ON BOARD. IF THIS POINT
WAS NOT DISCUSSED AT ANZUS MEETING OR DURING ROWLING
VISIT WE SUGGEST IT AND ANY OTHER SPECIFIC OBJECTIONS
SHOULD BE MADE CLEAR TO GNZ AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

4. ACTION REQUESTED - THAT EMBASSY BE GIVEN INSTRUCTIONS
AND NECESSARY BACKGROUND MATERIAL TO APPROACH GNZ REGARDING
ANY OBJECTIONS WE MAY HAVE. ALSO, WEOULD APPRECIATE SOONEST
INDICATION AS TO WHETHER OR NOT NPW VISITS AND SPNFZ WERE
DISCUSSED IN ANY MORE DETAIL THAN OUTLINED PARA. 5 REFTEL.
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